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	<b>Application Number</b>	
	<b>Filing Date</b>	
	<b>Art Unit</b>	
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My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Container Plug Gauge and Method of Use

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto

OR

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(if applicable).

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Supplemental Sheet

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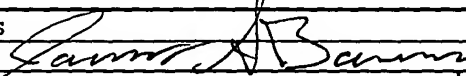
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